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Trans-Science 2 features exhibits and activities designed to explore the potential of solar energy. It will tour throughout the State, for use with classroom projects related to energy use and conservation, as well as for general public display.

Science Museum's Solor Energy Unit To Visit Farmville, September 11-14

RICHMOND - Sept. 1 - A new dimension in solar energy educational resources, the Science Museum of Virginia's mobile unit, Trans-Science 2, will visit the Farmville area, September 11-14.

The recently refurbished unit will be located at the Five County Fair, and open to the public each day during fair hours.

Trans-Science 2 had visited 18 locations, including fairs at Fishersville, Orange, Dublin, Wise, Luray,Fredericksburg, and Front Royal prior to the Farmville stop. More than 60,000 have visited the unit during this first statewide tour, which began in April.

Five active, hands-on exhibit/learning stations, supplemented by several models and cut-away displays, are featured in the 30-foot long, 10-foot wide unit, which has been converted from its former space technology theme and former designation as Trans-Science 1. Most of the new equipment is designed for visitor interaction in demonstrating the principles, potential, and limitaitons of solar energy.

The learning stations include: a solar electric cell demonstration, where sunlight is converted into electric power; solar air collector, where sunlight is used to heat air; solar water collector, where sunlight is used to heat water; built-a-collector, where modular components of solar collectors can be assembled for most efficient operation, and a solar Pachinko machine, which demonstrates the effects of the earth's atmosphere on sunlight.

As Trans-Science 1, the unit attracted more than 225,000 visitors, logged some 4,000 miles, and toured 45 locations, around the State from late 1973 through mid-1976. Trans-Science 2 uses the same trailer as the earlier version, but here the similarity ends.

United Virginia Bankshares, Inc., which funded Trans-Science 1, also provided most of the financial aid for the transformation to solar energy. Reynolds Metals Co. donated considerable equipment for Trans-Science 2, and the Science Museum of Virginia Foundation additional funds. Support also came from: Noland Co., Jackson Water Heater Co., Solaron Corp., Diversified Engineering Co., Martin Processing Co., NASA at Langley, North American Solar Development Corp., Robertshaw Controls Co., and Dr. William B. Keef.

OAKVILLE

The children of James Martin celebrated his birthday on Sunday, September 3, 1978 at the home of his daughter and son in law, Buddy and Ann Wilcox.

Those present were James and Margaret Martin, Harold and Lewis Martin, Robert, Sandra, Roxie Robin and Bobby Martin, Donnie, Helen, Kevin Audrey, Dana and Nicole Moore, Buddy, Ann, Sherry and Jeffrey Wilcox. Visiting in the afternoon were Doris and Hunter Martin and Kendall Moore. A delicious lunch was enjoyed by all and later in the afternoon cake and homemade ice cream was served. We wish Mr. Martin many more happy birthdays.

Kathy Marshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Marshall has returned to James Madison University for her junior year. During the summer, Kathy took some of her law internship under the Director of Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court, Mr. Roland Murphy and Probation Officer, Bruce Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Marshall spent the week end in Williamsburg, VA.

Congratulations to Doug Marshall for capturing second place winner in championship flight at Falling River Country Club Golf Tournament over the labor day week end.

Mrs. Frances Rogers, Mrs. Helen Gunter and Bryan Trent visited Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Marshall Friday night.

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The Pastor Speaks

Let us think about the problem of discouragement. There are many people who could live victorious lives but the drawback of discouragement. They are too easily discouraged and give up when the going becomes difficult. Discouragement is to despair and abandon hope. It is to become despondent and stop trying. The answer to the problem of discouragement is encouragement. To encourage is to inspire with courage, hope or resolution - to cheer up.

What is the source of encouragement? Let us learn from David when he was at perhaps the very lowest ebb of his life. He had long been a wandering outlaw, and had finally been driven, by Saul's persistent hostility to take refuge in the Philistine Country. David and his men had made the city of Ziglag a temporary home. Once they went out to do battle at a distance from their homes and left their families and possessions in Ziglag. When they came back their city was a smoking ruins. Everything was gone; wives, children, cattle - all was desolation. They wept until they could weep no more. The Amalekites had done it. They usually sold their captives as slaves on the Egyptian slave market. David's followers were so mad with him, blaming his leadership for causing the catastrophe, that they threatened to stone him.

David was at the deepest point of discouragement of his life. There was only one possession in all the world, except his body, that he had. He still had his faith in the Lord. The Bible says "David encouraged himself in the Lord his God". 1 Samuel 30:6. He turned to God for comfort and guidance and help. What are we to do when we become discouraged? We are to encourage ourselves in the Lord our God.

Rev. G. Edward Hughes, Pastor
Red Oak Baptist Church

THE BIBLE SPEAKS

International Uniform Sunday School Lessons

BY LAWRENCE W. ALTHOUSE

DIET FOR THE MIND

Lesson for September 10, 1978

Background Scripture:
Romans 12:1-5, 9-13;
Philippians 4:8,9;
Hebrews 12:1-14.
Devotional Reading:
John 3:16-21

Last evening I heard the President of Carras Cruises, Richard Revnes; tell of a four-page letter of complaints that he received from a woman who had just returned from one of his firm's cruises. Not having time at that moment to read the whole letter, he instructed his secretary to send her a bouquet of flowers until he could respond to the letter personally. Back came a glowing one-page epistle saying, "The beautiful bouquet was the climax to the most wonderful cruise I've ever taken anywhere!"

Rev. Althouse

Think On These

It took a bouquet of beautiful flowers to enable the woman to see the cruise in true perspective. It helped her to focus upon the overriding worth of the trip instead of a host of nit-picking complaints. And so it is with all of life: we can choose to focus on the negative aspects — for there are always some, even in the best of circumstances — or those that are positive, for these too are always present if we will but look at them.

Knowing church life as I do, I am certain that there are some Christians who would be unimpressed with the Creation, unmoved by the Nativity of Jesus, and critical of the way in which The Last Supper was conducted. They are like computers programmed to find only certain data. No matter what they experience, they seem programmed to see and focus upon only the negative.

This is not accidental or something beyond our own control. If we tend to look on the dark side of life, it is because we have unconsciously chosen to do so. We have chosen the negative view so often that it has become habitual. That is why Paul tells the Philippians: "...whatever is true... honorable... just... pure... lovely... gracious... worthy of praise, think about these things"(4:8).

As A Man Thinketh...

Emmet Fox proposed what he called a 30-day "diet for the mind." He recommended a 30-day period during which the mental dieter would refuse to entertain any negative thoughts whatsoever on any subject. People who have tried it — and one has to be as serious about this kind of dieting as the kind which involves calories — have found that it has radically changed their lives. This approach is not based upon the denial of evil and negativity in our daily lives, but upon the willful choice to focus on the positive, much as Paul advised the Romans: "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind" (12:2) and as the writer of Hebrews advised the Christian who runs the race of life to concentrate, not on the obstacles along the way, but "looking to Jesus the Pioneer and perfecter of our faith" (12:2).

There are always two kinds of mental and spiritual food before us in our daily lives and we alone can choose with which of these we will feed ourselves.

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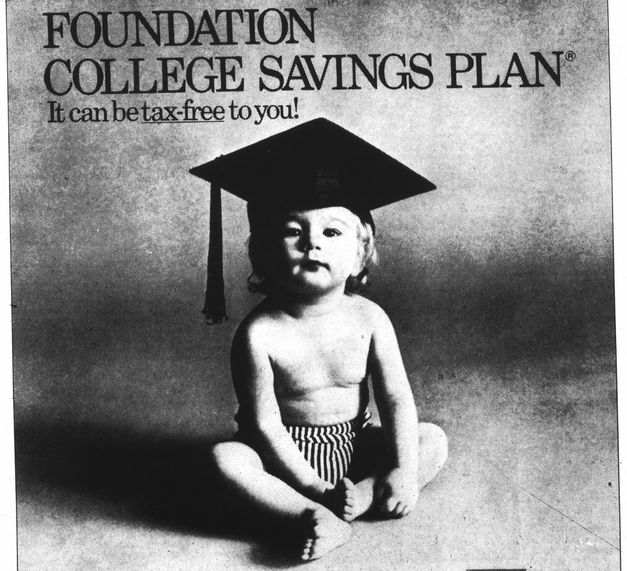

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HAPPINESS IS 4-H

By Frank H. Sweet
Extension Agent

Next week is Five County Fair Week in Farmville, and we encourage all 4-H'ers to have at least one exhibit. With the choices of exhibit items that are listed in the catalog most 4-H'ers should have several different items to enter in this year's Fair.

Some highlights of possible exhibits include:

1. Vegetables--With the good season we've had and the number of 4-H'ers who help in gardens we should have many good vegetables exhibits. In selecting your exhibit vegetables, you should harvest as close to Fair time as possible. Vegetables should have good typical uniform coloration, without blemishes, etc. Vegetables should be of correct maturity (not too ripe or too immature) and should be even in size, especially if potatoes, onions, tomatoes, etc. 2. Canned Goods--4-H'ers who have assisted with home canning should exhibit some of their products (glass jars, only). Select your best examples for the Fair. 3. Crops--Hay, grains, tobacco may be exhibited. Also, silage, which in many areas is being harvested now, may be exhibited. 4. Arts and Crafts--Many classes for craft items are available this year. Check the catalog closely and select your best.

We could go on and on with items to exhibit and we hope each 4-H'er will work on having some exhibits to display.

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As in past years we plan to take items to the Fair for 4-H members on Monday, September 11, and Wednesday, September 13. 4-H'ers may bring items to schools (AES, AMS, and PES) in the morning and we will pick them up from the school library. Please put your name on your exhibits.

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Highlights during the week at the Fair include:

Monday - Entering of most exhibit items.

Tuesday: Judging of exhibits in morning. Beef Show 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday: Baked Goods and Flowers entered. Swine Show 3:00 p.m. Dairy Show 7:30 p.m. Jr. Fashion Show 4:00 p.m.

Thursday: Senior Fashion Show 4:00 p.m.

Saturday: Talent Show 8:00 p.m.

All livestock removed Saturday. Additional details may be found in the Fair Catalog. We look forward to some outstanding 4-H Fair exhibits this year.

Vera Church of God Begins Revival Sunday

On Sunday, September 10th, the Vera Church of God will begin a revival service with Evangelist Rev. James Lawson as guest speaker.

The services will begin nightly at 7:30 p.m. except on Sunday night and that service will be at 7:00 p.m.

There will be special singing each evening. Brother Lawson is an old time, Holy Ghost filled preacher that preaches under the annointing power of God. These services will not just be a series of meetings but an old fashioned Holy Ghost Revival where the Almighty Power of God will be manifested in each service. If you need healing for your body, come and receive it. If you need Salvation for your Soul, come and receive it. If you need a closer walk with God, come and receive it. All your spiritual needs can be met. The Vera Church of God is located six miles East of Appomattox on Route 24 right in the village of Vera. Watch of the sign if you are coming from Appomattox, it's on the left.

If you have any questions, just call the parsonage at 352-5443. Rev. Larry W. Carroll is the pastor of the Vera Church of God.

BIRTHDAYS
Terri Ann Spiggle..... Sept. 22

Exhibits Planned For RR Festival

The Sixth Annual Historic Appomattox Railroad Festival, to be held in downtown Appomattox on September 23rd & 24th, will again this year attract varied and exciting exhibits of arts and crafts. These exhibits, along with many demonstrations, will begin on Saturday at 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and on Sunday from 1 until 4 p.m. Featured this year in the Festival Arts and Crafts will be Sketch portraits, leather crafts, woodburnings, patchwork items, Christmas crafts, plants and plant hangers, handweaving, antques, walking sticks and canes, stuffed toys, ceramics, jewelry, apple dolls, thumbprint art, character photos, T-shirts, horse collar mirrors, and numerous hand crafts, including bonnets, aprons, afghans, pillows, flower arrangements, dolls, clothing, etc. There will also be an art exhibit, with paints for sell. Demonstrations can be viewed on apple doll making, sketch portraits, thumbprint "art on the spot", card weaving, and making walking canes.

This year's art and crafts exhibits promise to be an exciting event of the Festival, an event featuring something for every member of the family. You will not want to miss seeing every exhibit.

If you have any questions concerning the Arts and Crafts activities for the Festival, contact Cindy Ranson at 352-5767.

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